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- A specification consisting of SIXTEEN (16) pages
- SIX (6) sheet(s) formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-235154 filed in JAPAN on August 12, 2002.
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